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To accomplish the work which the Church and the State have a right to expect of it as an educational institution, Missouri Valley College, under the authority of the Synod of Missouri, is going to raise a Half Million Dollars by Dec. 31, 1921. This year is the Big Year.

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One of the most notable things recently in connection with Missouri Valley College, and one of the reasons for making the January Bulletin late this year, is in order to announce the visit of the representatives of the General Education Board on the Rockefeller Foundation. Dr. Trevor Arnett and his wife were at Missouri Valley College on February 3, 1921, to make a survey of the institution, its buildings, equipment, endowments, etc., with a view of determining the question of an appropriation for Missouri Valley College. The question will be taken up by the Rockefeller Board on February 24th, and in due time thereafter the College will know whether it is on the list for the Rockefeller benefactions or not. So far as Dr. and Mrs. Arnett were concerned, they seemed to be well pleased, both with the resources of the institution and the efficient management by the Board of Trustees of its finances and business affairs.

Attention is called to the new Board of Trustees under the Amended Charter as published on the third page of the cover. Two meetings of the Board have been held since the new order went into vogue and the interest of the new members augurs well for the future of the institution.

The new members are Mr. Leonard D. Murrell, President of the Wood & Huston Bank, Marshall, Missouri; Mr. W. G. Rea, of the Rea & Page Milling Company, Marshall, Missouri; Mr. W. C. Gordon, class '98, Vice President of the Farmers Savings Bank, Marshall, Missouri; Mr. James K. Ferrell, farmer and stockman, and student of Missouri Valley College at the beginning, Faucett, Missouri; Mr. Robert Thomas Morrison, Board of Trade, Kansas City, Missouri, who has given us our new Gymnasium described elsewhere. Mr. Morrison is one of our greatest benefactors of recent date. He is a member of Grace Presbyterian church at Kansas City, Missouri; step-father of Mr. S. Boon Gregg, class of '09, and father-in-law of Mr. J. Bourne Mitchell, class of '08, and father of Alice Morrison Mitchell, class of '09. Mr. Regis A. Harriman, farmer and business man, Pilot Grove, Missouri, who has at various times been a liberal giver to Missouri Valley College, father of Virginia Harriman, who graduated in music last year. Mr. James T. Pedigo, President of the Pedigo-West Shoe Company, St. Louis, Missouri, an officer in the First Presbyterian church. Rev. Ralph M. Davis, class of '08, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, St. Louis, Missouri, once the private secretary of the President of Missouri Valley College. Mr. Albert M. Keller, of the Brown Brokerage Company, St. Louis, Missouri, formerly of the Missouri Valley Mercantile Company at Marshall, Missouri, a man well known in Marshall and Saline County, for many years a friend of Missouri Valley College. The other members of the Board

have been serving the College for many years. Mr. John C. Cobb from the very beginning is the only survivor of that notable list of men who launched the enterprise in 1889.

In the reorganization of the Board of Trustees of Missouri Valley College, the Rev. George P. Baity, D. D., of the class of '91, is President; Mr. W. C. Gordon, class '98, is Vice-President; Dr. D. F. Manning, Secretary; Mr. George H. Althouse, Treasurer; Mr. Carl I. Duncan, class of '14, Accountant; Mr. John C. Cobb, Chairman of the Finance Committee; Mr. Leonard D. Murrell, Chairman of the Building Committee; Mr. W. C. Gordon, Chairman of the Faculty Committee; Mr. Henry S. Conrad, class of '97, counsel.

It will be noticed that in the Board of Trustees there are four of the Alumni, and in addition three former students, which insures one-third of the members of the Board an inside experience of the College. The children of three members of the Board are graduates of the College, which still further strengthens the College interest on the part of these gentlemen.

Missouri Valley College is indebted to Mr. J. Earle Donaldson, Jr., of Kansas City, Missouri, for a 2 K. W. Packard Transformer, a ten-inch Spark Coil, and a large X-ray bulb. Friends who give valuable things like these to the College are always appreciated.

Mr. Robert Thomas Morrison and Mrs. Gertrude Edmondson of Kansas City were recently married. They made a trip to New Orleans and upon their re-

turn to Kansas City established themselves in their new home on Manheim Road. Mr. Morrison is the donor of the new Gymnasium and Mrs. Morrison was one of the Assistant Superintendents of Schools of Kansas City for several years.

Since the new Gymnasium is completed and in use the students are having a great time with their basket ball. The students of the High School borrowed the Gymnasium for their special competitive games.

The new Kewanee boilers, spoken of in our last Bulletin, are installed and doing splendid service in warming our buildings. They cost, installed, nearly $13,000.00.

The play given by the Seniors, "Brown's in Town," was splendidly put on and repeated at the Auditorium down town. A goodly sum was made for the Department of Athletics.

Dr. Black spent a short time in the Christian Church Hospital in Kansas City during a necessary and unexpected operation, but is back at his work again.

The new Board of Trustees has had two meetings since it came into being, following the action of Synod last Fall, and is a working body of men. All but four of the twenty-one members were present at the first meeting.

S. Boon Gregg, class '09, and Gertrude, with the children, recently made a visit to Ed. McDavid, '03, and Josephine and their children at Hillsboro, Illinois.

Two alumni who have been exceedingly active in their interests in the new Gymnasium and athletics of the College are S. Boon Gregg and J. Bourne Mitchell, class '08. They are most liberal givers to the support of the athletic director.

Mr. Charles E. Tabler of Parkville, Missouri, for several years a member of the Board of Trustees of Missouri Valley College, died at Parkville recently. The funeral sermon was preached by Dr. Black, a long-time friend of the deceased. Mr. Tabler was a man of quiet manner but generous disposition and strong Christian character. His widow still lives in Parkville, where she is educating a couple of wards.

Rev. Ira Barnett, class '08, has recently gone to Riverside, California, and is the pastor of Mr. and Mrs. Gaylord Brooks. Gaylord writes under date of January 28th that Ira is making a magnificent beginning in the church at Riverside. I am sure it will be a mutual pleasure to Ira and his wife and Gaylord and Virginia to be associated in that great religious enterprise.

Miss Frances E. Brown, class of '19, and Mr. Gallup of Trenton, Missouri, were married recently and are living in Trenton.

Milo Bail and Josephine Hayden, both of the class of '20, were married during the holidays and are at home in Redwood Falls, Minnesota.

Miss Nellie Moore, class '20, went to Winnebago, Nebraska, to teach, but later accepted a better position in the High School at Marion, Illinois.

Prof. Lawrence E. Griffin, recently of the University of Pittsburgh and formerly of Missouri Valley College in the Department of Biology, has just gone to Reed College, Oregon, where he will be in the Department of Zoology.

Miss Virginia Carpenter, class '17, is enjoying life as a teacher at Hayden, Arizona. She thinks the climate is wonderful and she evidently loves the frontier.

Wesley M. Smith, class '06, has for his address in China the following beautiful legend: Wesley M. Smith, Changshu (Dzang Zok), Kiangsu, China. A recent letter from him contains a picture of an interesting Chinese group in connection with his work. It will interest the Alumni to know that Wesley is no longer in the Soochow University, but is now giving all his time to evangelistic work, which is very urgent in the new Republic at present. Wesley had just moved into a new parsonage when he wrote.

Miss Bertha Smith, class '08, is still in Korea. I am sure it will disappoint the Alumni to know that the Japanese Government revoked her license to teach and that she is thereby deprived of the principalship

of the school of which she has been the head almost ever since going to Korea. She is itinerating at present, but living in hopes of the re-establishment of her privilege of teaching, as that is the work to which she is specially adapted. One would like to indulge in some frank expressions with reference to the policies of the Japanese Government toward American Christian teachers, but they can not be made under present conditions.

Miss Fern Purcell and Mr. Charles Bishop were married during the holidays and have gone to housekeeping on a farm near Shackelford, although Fern is still teaching school.

Mr. Fred Hightshoe, class '19, and Miss Helen Borberg were married recently and are living in Marshall.

Misses Oletha Davis and Julia Ross were recently married. Miss Davis is at their home in Waverly and Mrs. Showen will complete her course in Missouri Valley College.

A questionnaire was circulated among the students of Missouri Valley College, in Chapel, in order to get their reasons for attending Missouri Valley College. There were one hundred and twenty who answered the questions. Sixty-three, over half, came under the influence of their parents; forty-eight came because the College was near-by; forty-seven because it was co-educational; thirty-nine because it was a College and not a University. Among the secondary reasons

given there were thirty-three who came because of the low tuition; thirty-two because relatives had influenced them; thirty-two because they like the ideals of Missouri Valley College; thirty because of the influence of former students. Many other reasons were given, but the above are the chief ones. Of course some students gave more than one reason, which accounts for the apparent discrepancy of figures.

This was a very informal questionnaire. Only ten because of the influence of their pastor; five of these were former students of Missouri Valley College. One came because of the influence of an advertisement. The letters, circulars and printed matter from the College office influenced twenty-five. Seventeen came because they found opportunity to work their way.

Aubrey Leonard and his new wife are living at Stockham, Nebraska. They were married last October.

There have been several new babies come into the world, which add to the stock of human interest and are also prospects for Missouri Valley College in the future.

First, in the Board of Trustees, Hon. Isaac H. Orr and his wife have been blessed with a son, William Campbell Orr. The name perpetuates family traditions and history.

Thomas Claget Hendrix has settled down to reign in the home of Everet and Minnie Hendrix in their home in India. In the course of human events

Thomas Claget ought to show up at Missouri Valley College and play on the athletic teams like his father did in the old days.

William David Lockridge has arrived safely in the home of William Yewell and Florence Lockridge and some day no doubt will show up in connection with the new administration at Missouri Valley College.

Ruth Harrison, class '13, now Mrs. Weir, is the mother of a fine baby boy who will in due time have his eyes turned toward Marshall, the former home of his mother and the College where she graduated.

William J. Hail is a visiting professor of history in Yale University, doing twelve hours a week. He expects to sail for China in July or August. He has almost completed his work for his Ph. D. Degree at Yale.

Rev. Anthony Zeigel, class 1900, died October 22nd, 1920, at Kirksville, Missouri. Anthony was one of the *summa cum laude* graduates of Missouri Valley College and one of the most eloquent of our Alumni. His influence has been very great among the churches. He has been in ill health for some time, but everybody was shocked with the suddenness of his departure. He made a brilliant address at Presbytery just a few days before he died.

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